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SUBJECT: US-TURKEY FOLLOW-ON TALKS IN ANKARA

REF: STATE 41677

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES PARTY FOR FOLLOW-ON TALKS IN ANKARA.  
DCM TODAY DISCUSSED COMPOSITION OF PARTY AND TENTATIVE SCHEDULE  
WITH MFA DIRECTOR OF DEFENSE AGREEMENTS HALUK OZGUL WHO IS  
HANDLING ARRANGEMENTS. ACCORDING TO OZGUL, TURKISH SIDE WILL  
BE HEADED BY MFA SECGEN ELEKDAG AND WILL INCLUDE SENIOR  
MFA OFFICIALS IN POL/MIL AFFAIRS AND IN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.  
THERE ALSO WILL BE REPRESENTATION FROM TURKEY'S HIGH PLANNING  
COUNCIL (SENIOR ECONOMIC BODY CONNECTED TO THE PRIME MINISTER).  
OZGUL WILL TRY TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENT FOR AMBASSADOR TO SEE  
PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER WITH NIMETZ. HE SUGGESTED  
THAT BEST SCHEDULE MIGHT BE TO HAVE FULL DAY OF TALKS  
ON TWENTY-SECOND AND HALF DAY OF TALKS ON THE TWENTY-THIRD.  
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HE HOPED THAT ON AFTERNOON OF TWENTY-THIRD PRIMIN WOULD  
BE ABLE TO SEE AMBASSADOR AND NIMETZ, BUT AGREED THAT IF  
THAT AFTERNOON NOT FEASIBLE, IT WAS NOT NECESSARY THAT  
MEETING WITH PRIMIN BE DELAYED UNTIL AFTER CONCLUSION  
OF TALKS.

2. OZGUL QUESTIONED DCM CLOSELY ON LEVEL OF ECONOMIC

REPRESENTATION IN PARTY, ASKING, INTER ALIA, WHY DOD REPRESENTATION SEEMED MUCH HIGHER. DCM ASSURED OZGUL THAT WINDER WAS INDEED A KEY STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL FOR ECONOMIC MATTERS AND HE SEEMED REASSURED. HIS OBVIOUS CONCERN, HOWEVER, UNDERSCORES PRIME MINISTER'S DESIRE THAT TALKS FOCUS HEAVILY ON ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. OZGUL REMINDED DCM THAT DURING PREVIOUS NIMETZ VISIT, NUMBER OF QUESTIONS HAD TO BE REFERRED TO WASHINGTON. DCM TOLD HIM THAT CLEARLY THIS GROUP WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE PREPARED TO MAKE MAJOR DECISIONS BUT GOT COULD BE REASSURED BOTH AS TO LEVEL AND TECHNICAL COMPETENCE OF MEMBERS OF PARTY. OZGUL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT MAJOR DECISIONS COULD NOT BE MADE BUT SAID THAT GOT WOULD EXPECT THOSE COMING TO BE ABLE TO DISCUSS FEASIBILITY OF GOT PROPOSALS ON THE SPOT. HE ADDED THAT TURKS HAD NOT YET FORMULATED AGENDA, BUT WERE WORKING ON ONE WHICH WILL FOLLOW TOPICS RAISED BY ECEVIT WITH SECRETARY. HE AGREED TO DISCUSS AGENDA WITH EMBASSY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. ON LOGISTICS: NIMETZ, EWING AND HOPPER WILL STAY AT RESIDENCE. OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL BE PUT UP AT BUYUK ANKARA HOTEL, HALF BLOCK FROM EMBASSY CHANCERY. VENUE OF MEETINGS WILL BE FOREIGN MINISTRY GUEST HOUSE. CONTROL OFFICE IS FSO RICHARD A. SMITH, WHO WILL TRY TO TELEPHONE HOPPER TODAY.

4. WE ARE ALERTING ISTANBUL TO POSSIBILITY THAT PAN AM  
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MIGHT BE ON TIME (NOT LIKELY THIS TIME OF YEAR) AND THAT IF IT IS, PARTY WOULD WISH TO TAKE EARLIER FLIGHT TO ANKARA THAN PRESENTLY SCHEDULED.

5. ELEKDAG WILL GIVE DINNER FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS NIGHT OF TWENTY-SECOND. NO OTHER SOCIAL EVENTS SCHEDULED AS YET, BUT AMBASSADOR PREPARED TO HOST WORKING LUNCH OR DINNER FEBRUARY TWENTY-THIRD.  
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